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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: DPC MINISTERIAL MEETING, MAY 17, 1977: AGENDA
ITEM IIIB, FLEXIBILITY STUDIES
1. THE DPC IN MINISTERIAL SESSION DEALT QUICKLY WITH THE
NATO FLEXIBILITY STUDIES. AFTER NOTING THAT: (1) THE
STUDIES IDENTIFIED FOR CONCERTED ACTION A WIDE RANGE OF
MEASURES DESIGNED TO REMOVE POLITICAL AND MILITARY CON-
STRAINTS ON MILITARY CAPABILITIES, AND (2) THEY WERE IN
LINE WITH THE US INITIATIVES, SYG LUNS PROPOSED NOTING
AND ACCEPTING THE REPORT AND ITS RECOMMENDATIONS. ALL
AGREED.

2. NORWEGIAN DEFENSE MINISTER HANSEN ACCEPTED THE REPORT
RECOMMENDATIONS BUT CALLED ATTENTION TO PARAGRAPH 16,
WHICH DEALS WITH OPERATIONAL CONSTRAINTS IN THE NORTHERN
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REGION. HE STATED THAT HIS GOVERNMENT HAS NO INTENTION
OF RECONSIDERING ITS ESTABLISHED POSITION BECAUSE OF THE
NATO FLEXIBILITY STUDIES. COMMENT: HE WAS REFERRING TO THE
CURRENT NORWEGIAN POLICY WHICH PROHIBITS STATIONING OF
FOREIGN TROOPS OR NUCLEAR WEAPONS ON NORWEGIAN SOIL DURING
PEACETIME. END COMMENT.BENNETT

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